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SUBJECT: UGANDA SITUATION REPORT NO. 10 AS OF 1800 (EST)  
MARCH 2, 1977 (2300 GMT)

THE FOLLOWING IS THE TENTH SITUATION REPORT ON UGANDA PREPARED BY THE UGANDA WORKING GROUP IN THE DEPARTMENT. IT IS PREPARED FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY. DO NOT RPT NOT DRAW UPON IT WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

1. RADIO KAMPALA ANNOUNCED AT 1700 GMT THAT PRESIDENT AMIN HAS TAKEN ISSUE WITH "PRESIDENT CARTER'S CLAIM" THAT THERE ARE 240 AMERICAN CITIZENS RESIDING IN UGANDA. AMIN STATED

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THAT THERE ARE ONLY 84 AMERICANS IN UGANDA, 15 OF WHOM WORK FOR UGANDA AIRLINES (STATE DEPARTMENT RESEARCH HAS FOUND ONLY 12 AMERICANS NOW IN UGANDA WORKING FOR UGANDA AIR). ONE-HALF OF THE 84 AMERICANS, ACCORDING TO AMIN, ENTERED UGANDA ILLEGALLY. NOTWITHSTANDING, HE SAID, THEY COULD STAY OR LEAVE, AS THEY WISHED.

2. AMB. ELLERKMANN HAS REPORTED THAT HE HAS NO OBJECTION TO THE DEPT. DELIVERING PRESIDENT CARTER'S MESSAGE TO AMIN DIRECTLY TO THE UGANDAN ACTING CHARGE IN WASHINGTON. ELLERKMANN POINTS OUT, HOWEVER, THAT NOT TO USE HIS CHANNEL MIGHT TEND TO DIM IN AMIN'S EYES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FRG EMBASSY AS THE MAJOR POINT OF CONTACT BETWEEN

USG AND GOU. WE ARE CONSIDERING SENDING A MESSAGE FROM PRES. CARTER FOR AMIN TO AMB. ELLERKMANN FOR DELIVERY AND GIVING A COPY TO THE UGANDAN CHARGE IN WASHINGTON AT THE SAME TIME.

3. RADIO KAMPALA ANNOUNCED THAT PRESIDENT AMIN HAD RECEIVED A WARNING FROM AN ANONYMOUS GROUP OF KENYANS REPORTING THAT A BRITISH-AMERICAN-ISRAELI MERCENARY FORCE OF 2,600 WAS MARCHING THROUGH KENYA TOWARD UGANDA. AMIN REPUTEDLY THANKED THE KENYANS. THE BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE, KENYA, AND THE DEPARTMENT HAVE ALL DENIED THIS REPORT. AT THE NOON BRIEFING IT WAS LABELED "COMPLETELY AND TOTALLY FALSE."

4. UK FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN HAS PROTESTED THE DECISION OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IN GENEVA NOT TO SUPPORT THE BRITISH RESOLUTION SEEKING AN INVESTIGATION INTO HUMAN RIGHTS IN UGANDA. DR. OWEN SAID:

"I AM DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED THAT OUR PROPOSAL MADE UNDER CONFIDENTIAL PROCEDURE FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN UGANDA WAS NARROWLY  
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DEFEATED IN GENEVA YESTERDAY.

"I REGARD THE RESOLUTION WHICH WAS ADOPTED AS INSUFFICIENTLY FIRM, FAR REACHING OR EFFECTIVE.

"THIS LEAVES US NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO PRESS FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN THE OPEN DEBATE WHICH IS DUE TO TAKE PLACE SHORTLY.

"OUR PROPOSAL WOULD ACCORD WITH -- BUT BE RATHER WIDER THAN -- THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL'S CALL FOR AN IMPARTIAL INVESTIGATION OF THE RECENT DEATH OF ARCHBISHOP LUWUM AND TWO OTHERS."

THE FOREIGN OFFICE DEFENDED ITS ACTION IN ISSUING A STATEMENT DISCLOSING THAT THE BRITISH PROPOSAL WAS "NARROWLY REJECTED", DESPITE THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE COMMISSION'S PROCEEDINGS, SAYING THAT IT WAS IN ORDER FOR ANY COUNTRY TO DISCUSS PUBLICLY WHAT HAPPENED TO ITS PROPOSAL.

5. PENDING ITEMS: A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO AMIN HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE WHITE HOUSE FOR APPROVAL. WE ARE ALSO CONSIDERING WHAT, IF ANY, ACTION TO TAKE CONCERNING ADVICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS RESIDING IN UGANDA TO DEPART.

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